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Application of: William C. Kimbrell

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RESPONSE

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This Response is provided to address the Final Office Action dated February 23, 2005. A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith.

Claims 1-27, 29 and 39-43 remain as rejected.